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OUR GIRLS ARE HOME

THE closing hours of the University of Nevada bring forcibly to mind that the country at large is dependent on its women and girls for its future welfare. Every college in the land reports that the attendance this year will be the lowest on record and that the classes of students must be recruited from the girls who have not been called away from their native habitat in such numbers as to cripple the home circle or thin out the attendance at the higher schools. This is but another indication of the inroads of war on the manhood of the nation. The very thought carries with it a pathos that brings tears to the eyes of mothers who may never see their male offspring again. The return of the girls to the old homestead renews the violence of the agony of those who stoically watched their boys march away to join the colors for the presence of the feminine members of the flock only recalls the absence of the noisy, oftentimes unruly, clatter of the sturdy masculine growth. While these thoughts well up until the mother heart is anguished even unto bursting it is well to remember that there is no soldier so well treated as the boys who wear the khaki of Uncle Sam. They are watched with a vigilance which surpasses the keen scrutiny of father and mother, and both moral and physical well being are protected with greater jealous than is accorded by the parental vision. The psychology of the situation compels the government to see that the mind of the boy or man is as healthy as his body and to that end there has been organized a series of entertainments of varying and amusing character to keep the boys in good humor and elevated spirits. To allow a boy away from home for the first time to grow despondent is to lay the foundations for a misshapen soldier for the mind soon influences the body and all the medicaments of the company doctors cannot allay the depression. It was for this reason that Smileage books were designed. They procure entertainment and recreation at times when there is nothing special to occupy the thoughts and mortal man is sorely tempted to break over bounds and thereby incur the displeasure of his superior officers. Under the auspices of the war department healthy but not necessarily highbrow, entertainment is provided for every one who can save the nominal price of admission which, however, as frequently happens, where a man is receiving \$30 a month, the moiety of money is not always available. It is at such times that the Smileage book becomes a precious commodity. The coupons admit the holder to theaters, movies, minstrels or other form of diversion which a paternal government has provided. If you have a boy in the army you cannot make a better investment than to buy one of these books and dispatch it to your nearest young friend in any cantonment of the country and, next to the makin's the Bonanza ventures to say, there will be no other gift prized so highly. Therefore, buy a Smileage book and buy it today.

HAVE A SPEEDY HEARING

THE charges against a Nevada man of profiteering in the administration of the food department should not be allowed to go by default. The reputation of Nevada for loyalty and patriotism is too well established for any one to indulge in idle flings at her people but, then, it is well that the law takes its course without any delays that the guilt or innocence of the accused be determined. This state has been first in everything pertaining to the war in men, money and marbles and no stain should be allowed to smirch our coat of arms. The Battleborn state is ready and willing to stand on its own merits and, if any son or daughter, should be unfortunate to indulge in any fantastic evasion or equivocation calculated to delay a trial, the law should be invoked in its most drastic form. A more extended report of the circumstances relieves the milling company from any share in the alleged crime as the management acted in good faith and while co-operating with the department of justice. When the accused company was cited to explain its acts in permitting white flour to issue from its mills the manager came forward with an apparently candid and sincere explanation which was acceptable to the food administration as adequate excuse for not revoking the license of the offending party. A thorough federal investigation of Mr. Purcell, manager of the Elko Flour Mill company, should be made and if innocent herald it to the world. If guilty—a court sentence.

Ed Harmer, the G. A. R. veteran color bearer, who walked through the mud yesterday morning to escort the conscripts to the depot, is 73 years of age while scores of men still in their thirties stood on the sidewalks and watched the boys and girls go by, for fear they would soil their shoes.

When we read of the United States army having 249 locomotives operating in France every loyal citizen will cheerfully submit to the withdrawal of a few more observation cars and the cancellation of a dozen or two limited extra fare trains.

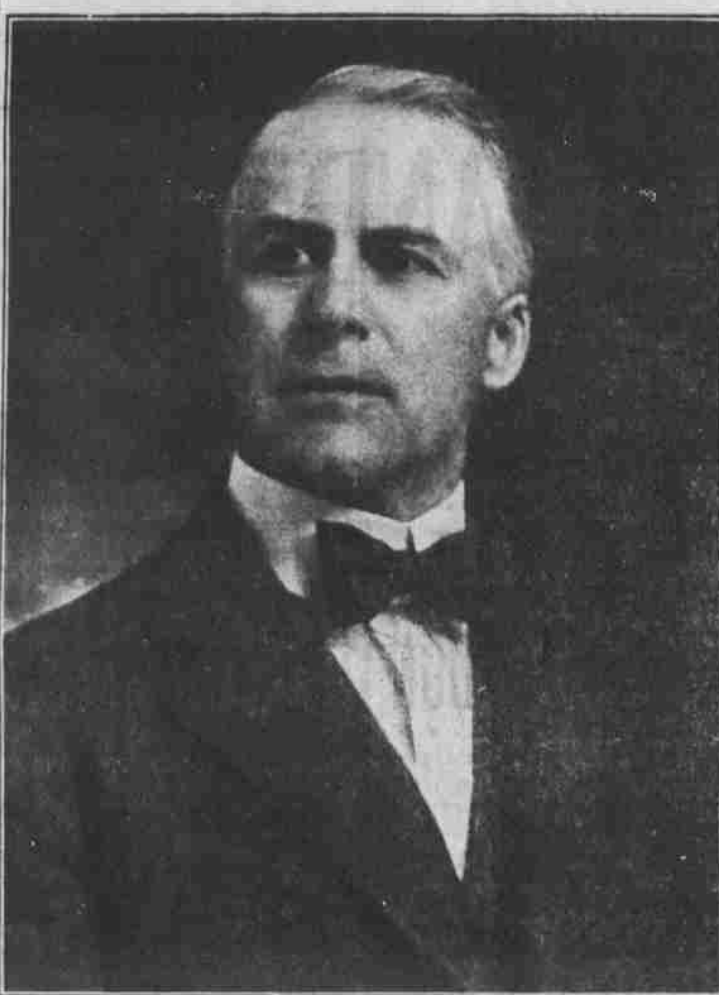
The urgency of the wheat demand from France can be partially understood by reading the urgent plea of the food administration to farmers to give up their seed wheat for every grain will count in feeding the starving millions of our allies. Do you get that?

When a sculptor pretends to a knowledge of submarines is strikes a spectator located in a lofty perch that he has either mistaken his calling or should take a correspondence course in mechanics.

A letter from the University of Michigan compliments the Nevada Sagebrush war edition by stating it is the handsomest of the scores of similar publications, printed during the past month.

Although alfalfa is selling at \$30 a ton the circus owners brag of the same old number of elephants, which demonstrates that Ananias has some disciples surviving.

CHARLES R. EVANS ANNOUNCES HIS CANDIDACY FOR CONGRESS



CHARLES R. EVANS

Mine Operator of Luning, Who Presents Himself for Nomination on the Democratic Ticket.

Luning, Nev., May 7, 1918.
 Democratic State Central Committee,
 Wm. McKnight, Secretary,
 Carson City, Nevada.

My dear Mr. McKnight:

I desire to make to the committee and to the voters of the state of Nevada my announcement as a candidate for congress in the coming Democratic primaries, and in submitting the same, from the published Democratic principles as heretofore have been determined in convention assembled, there is nothing for me to add nor to subtract.

In this, the most important and critical period of our history, when civilization itself is threatened, politics must stand and yield to patriotism and thereby have co-operation at Washington to win the war. To do so your representative there must be armed with courage, industry, knowledge of men and facts for these qualifications are necessary to con-

vince and give proper aid to our government. Every citizen must respect and obey the law and give aid to its enforcement.

My purpose is that Nevada be a vast section of developed resources, that national aid, if necessary, be given for the development of its vast agricultural and mineral wealth and that our state give greater recognition and recompense to labor.

Our nation is cheerfully and hopefully pledged to give our money, our sacred honor and our lives, that freedom of speech, freedom of thought and the power of right thinking may always live in the minds of men. Thus only can our future be secure.

To aid in the achievement of these things is my path of duty and upon which I will go before the electors of our state for nomination and election. Sincerely yours,

C. R. EVANS.

GAS BOMBS DISPLACE FORMER GAS WAVES

(By Associated Press)

LONDON, May 11.—Gas warfare has developed to a very considerable extent since its first use as a surprise weapon by the Germans at the second battle of Ypres. At that time the gas cloud or "wave" was released from great cylinders of liquid gas embedded in the trenches and discharged by pipes leading through the parapet.

This form of attack has now been largely discarded, for it depended for effectiveness on the prevailing wind blowing from the right quarter. It soon became apparent that the gas shell was a far more important weapon than any gas cloud or wave, for its action is independent of the wind and a continuous barrage of gas shells can be kept up so that the whole target area is continuously poisoned.

Though entirely surprised by the first German gas attack, the British and French quickly devised defensive measures and every soldier was supplied with a gas mask. The box respirator which every allied soldier now carries is an absolute protection against all forms of gas, provided that it is put on at the first alarm and is not removed until the danger is past.

But it is very difficult to fight hour after hour without removing the respirator. There can be little speech, and a man can neither eat, drink nor smoke. During a gas attack, there must be as little unnecessary moving as possible, for violent movements of the body are likely to displace the mask and let a little of the poisoned air into the lungs. Gas bombs are now used largely by both sides, for the bombardment of back areas and lines of communication, for the silencing of hostile batteries, and as a barrage previous to an infantry attack, when their effect is often supplemented by gas-wave discharges from trench cylinders. The effect of a gas attack is much worse and lasts much longer in closed spaces such as trenches and dugouts, and is more

effective in towns and villages than in the open. There are many kinds of gas now in common use. There is a purely suffocating gas; a tear gas, which attacks the eyes; a sneezing gas, intended to provoke an easier assimilation of the poison gas which accompanies it; and lastly the mustard gas, which is an eye, lung and skin irritant.

Gas shells in most cases contain a mixture, designed to produce a double effect. The shells are fired by guns of all calibre and gas "mines" and "torpedoes" are discharged from trench mortars.

The majority of gas casualties recover quickly, provided they have been only slightly exposed to the fumes before they put their respirators on. The effects of the irritant mustard gas are not usually serious, most cases recovering in two or three days. It is generally stated that the gas attacks of the French and British are more potent even than those of the Germans, while the allies' respirators are much better than the German because the Germans have not been able to get rubber enough to use it plentifully in these instruments. The German mask is of leather or treated so badly that German gas casualties have been inordinately heavy.

BRAVE WOMAN SCORNS THE KAISER'S OFFER

(By Associated Press)

AMSTERDAM, May 11.—Queen Marie of Rumania, according to newspapers, has publicly announced that she will never recognize the peace treaty between Rumania and Germany. Her majesty says she would rather abdicate than reign over a country under German rule. The queen's children are of the same opinion and they never lose an opportunity, the newspapers add, of insulting the Germans in Rumania.

POLICE OF FRANCE STILL INVESTIGATING

(By Associated Press.)

PARIS, April 11.—The arrest of a German subject, Simon Freschman, on the complaint of swindling soldiers, has called attention to the fact that the prefecture of police and the secret service department have still 150,000 records of foreigners living in France to investigate.

One of the reasons for the delay in action is the liberality France has shown, even toward the subjects of countries at war with France. A considerable number of papers have criticised the government for too great leniency in this respect, and have attributed some of the espionage that has come to light to this attitude.

Freshman, the Libre Parole says, enjoyed greater liberty of movement than French citizens and traveled freely without documents in parts of France to which Frenchmen were unable to penetrate without safe conducts from the military authorities. He escaped the concentration camps altogether and was apprehended only when soldiers filed a complaint against him for obtaining money under false pretense that he could have them assigned to choice posts in the interior.

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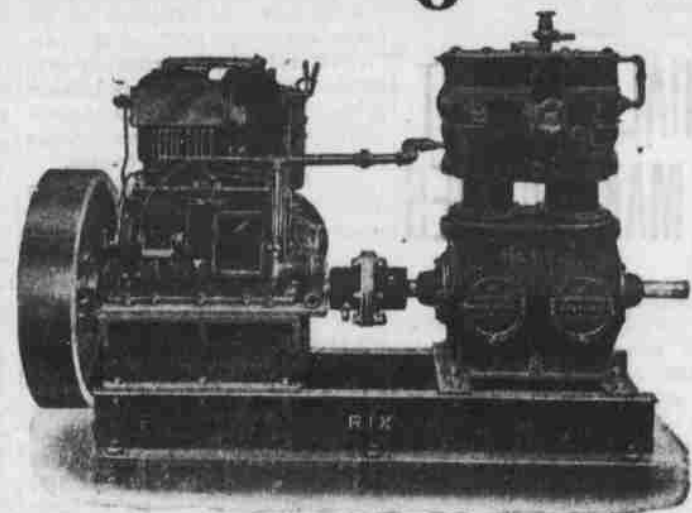
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